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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 30, 2005, kindly enter the following amendments. The amendments find full support in the claims and/or specification as originally filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.